

House Resolution 277

By: Representative Sims of the 169th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Mr. Francis M. Lott and inviting him to appear before the
2 House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Mr. Francis M. Lott, President of Lott Properties, Inc., has donated a generous
4 gift of \$1 million to the Douglas Coffee County Economic Development Fund; and

5 WHEREAS, the fund is operated by the Community Foundation of Coffee County, a civic
6 organization that was founded in 2002 with the mission of advancing philanthropy and
7 energizing groups of residents who want to be involved; and

8 WHEREAS, Francis M. Lott graduated from Georgia Tech in 1959 with a degree in
9 architecture and returned to Douglas in 1963 after serving as an ROTC Captain in the United
10 States air force; and

11 WHEREAS, he has tirelessly volunteered his leadership to the Douglas-Coffee County
12 Chamber of Commerce since 1975 and has facilitated considerable economic growth in the
13 area; and

14 WHEREAS, he was named the Statewide Volunteer of the Year for 1995 by the Georgia
15 Economic Development Association and is the recipient of numerous other awards and
16 honors recognizing his tireless service to various organizations, including Ben-Hill Irwin
17 Tech, Douglas-Coffee County Chamber of Commerce, the Southeast Georgia Regional
18 Development Council, and the Lion's Club; and

19 WHEREAS, he is an organizing director for Douglas National Bank, serves on the Board of
20 Directors of the Coffee County Community Foundation, and is a member of the Georgia
21 Tech Presidential Scholarship Committee; and

1 WHEREAS, he is the devoted husband of Diane Vickers Lott and the loving father of four
2 grown children, Jeffrey, Kirby, Mary Jane, and Allyson; and

3 WHEREAS, Mr. Lott's gift is an exceptional gesture of kindness towards the Coffee County
4 community, and his generosity has brought honor to the State of Georgia.

5 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
6 the members of this body recognize Mr. Francis M. Lott for his achievements as a Georgia
7 economic leader and commend him for his laudable donation to the Douglas Coffee County
8 Economic Development Fund.

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Mr. Francis M. Lott is hereby invited to appear before
10 the House of Representatives at a date and time to be fixed by the Speaker of the House for
11 the purposes of being recognized by the House and receiving an appropriate copy of this
12 resolution.